

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for converting an alternating current (AC) input to a direct current (DC) output, the DC output providing power to a load, the method comprising:
 - receiving the alternative current (AC) input;
 - receiving a first feedback signal indicative of a target voltage required by the load;
 - receiving a second feedback signal indicative of the DC output;
 - providing a controller module included in an AC-DC adapter and operable to receive the first feedback signal indicative of the target voltage and the second feedback signal; ~~indicative of the DC output; and;~~
providing a converter in the AC-DC adapter; and
~~generating the DC output responsive to the first and second feedback signals, wherein the DC output is maintained the controller module adjusting a control signal, responsive to receiving the first and second feedback signals, to the converter to maintain the DC output within a predefined range of the target voltage, wherein the predefined range includes a minimum value slightly above 100% of the target voltage and a maximum value slightly below 125% of the target voltage.~~
2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein a difference between the DC output and the target voltage is always positive while providing a charge to the load.
3. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the second DC output provides power to the load, wherein the load is a battery.
4. (Original) The method of claim 3, wherein the DC output is suitable to charge the battery.

5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein upon a loss of the first feedback signal the second DC output is maintained to a predefined voltage.
6. (Original) The method of claim 5, wherein the predefined voltage is equal to a previous voltage value of the DC output measured instantly prior to the loss of the first feedback signal.
7. (Cancelled).
8. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the first feedback signal is received from the load.
9. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the first feedback signal is received from a controller operable to control the load.
10. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the first feedback signal is received as a single digital signal, a pulse width modulation (PWM) signal, an analog signal, a digital signal superimposed on another analog signal, or an SMBus signal.
11. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the DC output is maintained at a predefined voltage upon completion of providing a charge to the load.
12. (Currently Amended) An integrated alternating current (AC) to direct current (DC) adapter comprising:
 - a rectifier module operable to receive an AC input and generate a first DC output;
 - a buck converter module operable to receive the first DC output and generate a second DC output responsive to a control signal;
 - an AC-DC adapter; and
 - a controller module included in the AC-DC adapter and operable to receive a first feedback signal input indicative of a target voltage required by a load and a second feedback signal input indicative of the second DC output, the controller module adjusting the control signal, responsive to the first and second feedback signal inputs, the adjusting of the control signal causing to the buck converter module to maintain the

second DC output to be within a predefined range of the target voltage, wherein the predefined range includes a minimum value slightly above 100% of the target voltage and a maximum value slightly below 125% of the target voltage.

13. (Original) The adapter of claim 12, wherein a difference between the second DC output and the target voltage is always positive.
14. (Original) The adapter of claim 12, wherein the second DC output provides power to the load, wherein the load is a battery.
15. (Original) The adapter of claim 14, wherein the second DC output is suitable to charge the battery.
16. (Original) The adapter of claim 12, wherein upon a loss of the first feedback signal the controller generates the control signal to maintain the second DC output to a predefined voltage.
17. (Original) The adapter of claim 16, wherein the predefined voltage is equal to a previous voltage value of the second DC output measured instantly prior to the loss of the first feedback signal.
18. (Cancelled).
19. (Original) The adapter of claim 12, wherein the first feedback signal is received from the load.
20. (Original) The adapter of claim 12, wherein the first feedback signal is received from a another controller operable to control the load.
21. (Original) The adapter of claim 12, wherein the first feedback signal is received as a single digital signal, a pulse width modulation (PWM) signal, an analog signal, a digital signal superimposed on another analog signal, or an SMBus signal.

22. (Currently Amended) An information handling system comprising:

- a processor;
- a system bus;
- a memory coupled to the processor through the system bus; and
- a power supply system operable to provide power to the processor, the bus and the memory, the power supply system being connectable to an alternating current (AC) power source, wherein the power supply system includes:
 - a rectifier module operable to receive the AC input and generate a first direct current (DC) output;
 - a buck converter module operable to receive the first DC output and generate a second DC output responsive to a control signal;
 - an AC-DC adapter; and
 - a controller module included in the AC-DC adapter and operable to receive a first feedback signal input indicative of a target voltage required by the processor and a second feedback signal input indicative of the second DC output, ~~the target voltage being transferred to the AC-DC adapter as an external feedback signal, the controller module adjusting the control signal, responsive to the first and second feedback signal inputs, the adjusting of the control signal causing to~~ the buck converter module to maintain the second DC output to be within a predefined range of the target voltage, ~~the second DC output being measured instantly prior to a loss of the external feedback signal.~~

23. (Currently Amended) An information handling system comprising:

- a processor;
- a system bus;
- a memory coupled to the processor through the system bus; and
- a power supply system operable to provide power to the processor, the bus and the memory, the power supply system being connectable to an alternating current (AC) power source, wherein the power supply system includes:
 - a rectifier module operable to receive the AC input and generate a first direct current (DC) output;
 - a buck converter module operable to receive the first DC output and generate a second DC output responsive to a control signal;

an AC-DC adapter; and
a controller module included in the AC-DC adapter and operable to receive a first feedback signal input indicative of a target voltage required by the processor and a second feedback signal input indicative of the second DC output, the controller module adjusting the control signal, responsive to the first and second feedback signal inputs, ~~the adjusting of the control signal causing to~~ the buck converter module to maintain the second DC output to be within a predefined range of the target voltage, ~~wherein the predefined range includes a minimum value slightly above 100% of the target voltage and a maximum value slightly below 125% of the target voltage.~~